en for the NEW ERA. Babe and Mother.

OME CIRCLE.

BY WM. H. JOSEPHUS. Like a rosebud just unfolding 'Neath its diadem of dew, Blushing in the rays, and moulding Heav nly beauties to our view; Thus it lay, the fairy creature,

Type of innocence and bliss!

Smiling till each tiny feature

Shamed the rose for loveliness. Darling babe! whose dawning graces Gem a mother's doting breast, Scarce two months have left their traces Since thou art its cherished guest. Nestling there, not yet asleeping, Hid in clouds of snowy white, Lo! its eyes, like jewels peeping. Scintillate with pure delight.

Now upturned, in silent wonder, To the sunbeam'd window near, Knowingly they seem to ponder O'er the sev'ral marvels there: Doubtless, o'er the reflex glitter On the creeper-garnished ledge. Or the pet canary's twitter, Trilling from its wiry hedge.

Next, with downward glance, they wande And the cosy crib explore, Ling'ring where those kittens yonder Romp at ball upon the floor. As the parent's warm caresses Coax each prank, each flitting smile, Feebly at her straggling tresses Baby fingers clutch the while.

See! how fondly rapt she gazes-Reads each latent thought and whim Pausing while the cottage mazes Echo back her vesper hymn! Nature's rarest gifts, her dower, Hallow'd by content and joy. Are, with true, tho' nascent power,

Mirror'd in her first-born boy. Hark! the welcome sound familiar-Footsteps near the garden gate-Love-trained ears need no auxiliar-"Papa's come!"-he's never late. Up she starts-the vigils over,-

With her babe, precipitate,

Issues from the cottage bower,

Like a doe, to greet her mate.

Happy scene! thine artless lustre Casts around a moral spell; Where fond hearts, thus radiant, cluster, Constellated bliss must dwell. Such a home, with babe and mother-Such as love, not wealth, commands-Who can yearn or toil for other Save that Home not made with hands?

From the Little Corporal. COALS OF FIRE.

BY RALPH G. LEONARD.

The prizes at Enderby were given either in church shook, and clapped till their hands were the church was silent and deserted.

The last notes of the band had died away. the musicians were bagging their instruments and buttoning up their overcoats, the sexton was shuffling softly around in his slippers, putting out the lights, the doctor and the gentlemen of the committee were waiting on the platform, and a dozen or more of us boys were waiting in the porch to see the last of the evening. The sexton tapped Harry Stearns on the shoulder. The sexton was a small man, seedy and solemn. We used to expend a vast amount of small wit upon him. He was Dust."

to attend his own funeral-"young gentleman, you are wanted by the gentlemen on the plat-

"You will wait for me, won't you, boys?" said Harry, turning to go.
"Hurry up then," cried Max, shuffling off a small breakdown, to keep his feet warm. "It summon assistance.

is cold out here. Short and sweet is your accept thirty dollars and complimentary remarks from His Reverence the Doctor and the Lord High Nabobs of Committee-men.' "O, but wouldn't Grove Vorse like to be

the rickety steps and shake hands with the dainties. gentlemen.

"Yes, sir!" said Max, emphatically, "Vorse of a lifetime to stand in those country made | far gone for my skill." cowhides these five minutes. By the way, Grove slipped off quite small and still at the last, Grove, half incoherently." "It is dark, isn't it?"

"I suppose he is disappointed; everybody thought he would get the prize, and told him so. I am sorry for him," said I.

"Well, I am not. If Grove Vorse feels sick customer, and what doctor do you want badly, he must do his own weeping, without any assistance from me. I couldn't start up my eye-pumps on his account, though I might work off a few salt drops for a fellow who finds his good luck too much for him."

Max finished this remark with a wink and nod at Harry, who had joined us, with a suspicious moisture in his bright eyes and a quiver about his mouth, for the doctor's hearty words | Harry was gone. of cheer and encouragement had been the last drop in his full heart. He stepped past us into the open air, straightened himself up, drew a deep breath, and took one quick look around on the earth, white with moonlight, and up at for the physician.

the sky, glittering with stars. "I suppose you are taking a look at your real estate, Stearnes?" said Max. "Own up, now: don't you feel as if you owned all of this world, and a few town lots in the moon?" Harry laughed. Max was not far out of the

way. A boy of sixteen who has wer, the first prize in his school, who has thirty dollars jingling in his pocket, and the good wishes of a hundred friends tingling in his heart, comes lives to be a hundred and counts his millions.

The triumphs of school life, do they seem to seems to me there is a freshness and exhilara- case of small-pox." tion of hope about the winning and wearing of those early honors, that never attends the school honors, for I never took a prize-not said : with some boys who did, and sympathized the disease largely with them, and that is the way I know

and we started for home.

"We shall find our den in a pretty state of rough and tumble," said Harry. "You see our door locked itself, or did someother wretch- to the disease as if you had been with him for brutality displayed by Admiral Cockburn. this for me, and yet the Son of man had not the air line for terra firma. Don't you see the toms will be more decided, and if it turns out now-a-days, though then an honored one) com- mind, and rose feverish and unrefreshed. rope flapping there now?" he exclaimed, as we as I expect, I must communicate the case to manded the Maryland, the District, and other Descending to his dining-room, as he sur-

"I see something," said Max incredulously, "but you don't say that is your downy couch pox was much more dreaded than now. Expo- terrible than the British-to wit, their slaves. the Son of man had not where to lay His head." and its accessories, walked high and dry out of sure to it meant death, or a scarred and chan- Lossing, in his Field Book of the War of 1812, the window, and dangling there, like Mahomet's coffin, between heaven and earth."

"That is what it is, though," answered death. Harry. "That is the outside passage. I climbed out of the window, slid down the rope, and eloped with myself, no bones broken, no and set up housekeeping again. The things nothing about it. It was given out that Vorse tered the Federal Capital for the purpose of where to lay his head.

and soon were cozy enough, with a newly kin-

dled fire and a good light.

up, and then we will set to and drub him till he howls for mercy."

drubbing the fellow? he has done no harm." for vengeance on such a sneak. Let's tell the cine. doctor; he will soon ferret it out, and show up this fancy turnkey of ours," cried I.

Whatever his own suspicions may have been, he kept them to himself, and did not encourage they freely rendered, and waylaid the doctor August of about 5000 men-regulars, marines talk about the affair; and as we all started for continually, and spent money freely. Two or and negroes, the latter bribed by promises of home in two days, the nine days' wonder died three times each day, when Grove was at the freedom in entering the British service. It was out before its time; and by the next winter, worst, poor Mrs. Vorse used to drive out to the negroes who reduced General Winder's the story that some one had at some time or within sight of the houses and gaze at it force, on paper reported at 15,000 down to less another slid down from third story window by through her uncontrolable tears as if it was the than one half, of whom seven-tenths were a bedclothes rope, had become quite tradition-ary, and was handed down to the new scholars But love nor money no as a deed of past ages.

browned and his muscles hardened by his sum- and beauty! give me your life!" mer's work in the open air, but the same earnest, manly fellow, generous, honest, and purposeful as ever. Max Foster, too, with his er or mother, Harry Stearnes stood by his and that each man more feared the enemy!

general way of carrying himself. They are umphed. is usually a fair and honest one. If you are an forth and the tears were tears of joy that day. unpopular boy or girl in school, look to it; for when Mrs. Vorse drove over to the hill and

your own character or manners. of. Certainly he was a great sham at lessons, touch of the loathsome disease but, thanks to pin's Ride. and a great shirk at all games involving skill vaccination and diet, it was only a slight atand courage; but he had a share of good looks | tack, and Grove who was getting quite strong and a genteel air of birth and breeding that he then, cared for him tenderly. And when Harvalued highly. There was money in the family, ry Stearnes took his old place with us again, too; his father drove fast horses, and his moth- three months later, there was no scar or mark er wore diamonds; and besides this, the Vor. on his fine face. ses were an old family, and Groves; I think But something came of all this, or I should all the dead and buried Vorses, hovered were let out of quarrantine, the longest of all like a halo about the head of their last descenhaloes. I never wore one myself, nor did any arranged that they should take the stage for of my relations. But I have seen them in pictures, and can't help thinking that it would be dusk they kindled a bonefire of old bedding. a warm and luminous atmosphere, quite im- used during their sickness. It was a most jolly

penetrable by the common ills of humanity. books or money, whichever the winner pre- However, poor Grove's halo, if he had any, ferred. The presentation was not a public was of no special service to him in the way of ceremony. So when the doctor had read off protection, and so it happened that an ugly, the names of the successful candidates, the malignant disease, that was stalking silently audience gave the usual round of applause, and and invisibly through the land walked up the rumble of the wheels that were to carry them the boys in the galleries stamped until the old dormitory stairs and straight into his room, and away; "Harry, I am not naturally a grateful

nearly blistered. Then the Boston band struck | One morning in January, shortly after the ted the accomplishment of seeming grateful I up "Home, Sweet Home," in such an enticing | Christmas vacation, Grove Vorse was absent | don't know how to thank you. You see I have way that everyone set out for their own sweet from chapel at morning prayers, and again at home as fast as possible; and in ten minutes eleven o'clock, missing Greek recitation. The of life as if I had a right to them, and no thanks master stopped calling the roll and looked to anyone. around the room.

> "Does anyone know about Mr. Vorse?" There was no answer. "Where does Mr. Vorse room?" he asked.

"In the south dormitority, sir, next door to me," spoke up Harry Stearnes. "Have you seen him to day?"

"No. sir." "Please go to his room after recitation, and see why he is absent from school exercises.' Grove Vorse was not a sociable fellow, for the most part he preferred his own gracious known familiarly in those days as "Old Head- company to that of anyone else, and no one stones," "Old Crossbones," "Old Dust and begrudged him the privilege. So he roomed "Young gentleman," said he, in a sepulchral stairs and a hall. Here Harry found him that tone, much as if he were summoning the boy day, miserably ill. A raging fever was consuming him, his head was dizzy, his eyes blinded and dull. He had felt ill the day before, and had crawled into bed at dusk, hoping to sleep it off. He had grown steadly worse through the night, and by morning found himself too weak and dizzy to help himself or to

Harry went to work, Good Samaritan fashmusic, old boy. It would not take me long to | ion, to cheer up the poor fellow. He threw open the window, for the room was dark and the air foul; then he bathed his head and hands, shook up the pillows and straightened the bedclothes; then he ransacked the closet, and unstanding in his shoes now!" said I, peering in earthed some crackers and cheese; but the paat the open door, and watching Harry mount | tient turned with an air of disgust from these

"Don't want them? don't want anything to eat? that is singular," said Marry. "Well, would give all the double-refined patent-leathers | old fellow, if you are past eating, you are too "Gone? O yes, I am gone," muttered

> "Well, no; the daylight is all right, it is about noontime, and a bright day. I guess it is you that is out of the way. You are a pretty

> me to call? "Yes-the doctor-anyone-I don't know or care, only be quick. Do you suppose I

shall die? "No, of course you won't. Cheer up, I'll have the doctor here in two minutes, and he will make you a well man in less than twentyfour hours. Lie low till I come back," and

There is an old proverb, "If you want anything done right, do it yourself." Harry acted up to the old saw; he did not stop to consult

The doctor had a grave and anxious face, as he examined his patient; a professional scowl gathered on his brow. "You are young, Stearnes, I believe?" he

said, at last turning to Harry. "Is this your room, or have you been in here long, and over the patient since he was sick ?" "I was sent to see why he was absent from

Greek, and found him so. I've been here a as near owning the world as he ever will, if he couple of hours, and nebody else has been in the room. "Well, nobody had better be in here.

you poor and small, you toilers in the noonday judge by your looks that you have sense and of life? I fear it is because your eyes are old self-control, Mr. Stearnes, so I will tell you the and weary in pursuit of fame and wealth. It truth. Unless I am greatly mistaken, this is a Harry turned white about the mouth, as he

heard the last word, but he did not flinch nor prouder triumphs of mature life. It does very tremble. He looked at the old doctor steadily well for me to dwell fondly on the delights of and balanced the chances of the case and then

"I am afraid so. The air is bad. You have It is worth while, and rather amusing, too.

Max Foster and I locked our arms in Harry's hise, handled him, taken his breath?" said the battle of Bladensburg. It is especially instructive, and retired to his private apartment. "Yes, sir.

turned a corner, and the dormitory building the school authorities, and take measures to militia and troops; the city contained about veyed the elaborate table furniture and expenprevent the disease from spreading." In the days when I was a boy, the small-

brains split. So help me gather in the duds in great panic. The boys themselves knew and Admiral Cockburn, with one brigade, en- present to his mind, "The Son of man had not

We carried the bed up stairs. The door was locked, no mistake about it, and the key was on the outside. The room was dismal as a den. was carried silently down the stairs, placed in have occupied the Speaker's chair, and ad- who had sacrified so much for him. He saw A raw gust of wind came whirling in at the a close carriage, and taken to a deserted house, dressed the jeering soldiery with: "Shall this this same selfishness and extravagant expen-

The true state of the case was known to eve and straightened up matters in boy fashion, rybody, the next morning, and a great panic acted the incendiary. The zest with which he much too strong a hold upon him.

and transferred through two miles of space, which consisted on landing on the 8th of

Most of our old boys were back at Enderby | the lonely house. The terrible specter of dis- science made cowards of them all. the next year. A little taller and broader we ease held the boy in its clutch; it wrung out Alvan Stewart, in a letter written in August found ourselves. We had gained about a years his strength, it sent burning fire into his veins 1845, to Dr. Bailey, says that General Smith Weller speaks of. But we were much the same | Night and day the specter stood over him with | passing over this very ground, (between Bla-

lay snoring heavily in his drunken spree, Har- else. I quote from Lossing's new volume. Vorse had the most pride and the meanest ry watched the face of the clock, and with unkind of pride of any boy I ever knew. All the failing promptness, with most vigilant care; and undignified flight of the President and boys said he was proud, and they ought to he followed out the directions of the doctor. know. Boys in general are a democratic race, It was a long struggle and a hard one, but at Marmion with and they rate a fellow pretty fairly by what he last, through the blessings of God, and good is, what he knows, what he can do, and his nursing, a strong constitution and youth tri-

quick to feel the fibre of real manliness, or to | The terrible crisis was passed, and Grosvendetect the want of it in their companions or or Vorse began to recover. There was great masters. The judgment of one's schoolmates rejoicing and hope, when the glad news went ten to one, there is some just cause for it in Grove sat upat the window and waved his handkerchief to her.

I never knew what Grove Vorse was proud | Harry Stearnes did not escape without a

cherished an idea that the legendary glories of not be telling this story. It was to the boys their weary days there. The doctor had dedant. Perhaps they did. I am not a judge of clared their time of probation over, and had home at ten o'clock that night. So in the early a pleasant thing if one could be surrounded by clothes, books, and furniture, that had been bonfire. They built it in an adjoining field, and watched with glee the red flames devour their household stuff.

"Harry," said Grove that night, as they sat watching the fire and listening for the distant fellow, and what's more. I have never cultiva been a pig all my days, taking the good things

"Well, what of it?" asked Harry. " A good deal of it."

"But I mean what is coming of it? Get at what you are aiming at, and don't preamble so "You see, Harry, you saved my life. It was

not worth saving-that's the fact," and Groves voice grew husky and choky. "Nonsense," returned the other. "It was not your time to die.'

"Well, you kept it from being my time. If I had been left to that half-tipsy nurse, I should have been dead, and huddled into some wretched hole of earth, instead of standing here toseparated from the others by a short flight of night, well and strong, with life before me : and it is all you. Don't interrupt me! I must have my say out. It has been on my tongue a thousand times since we have been shut up together; the last hour has come now, and I must say it. I did you a great wrong once, at least I tried to-I meant to. You see I have been selfish and proud all my life. I have always wanted the best things for myself, and I have hated every one who kept me from getting them. So, you know the night of the prize-speaking -you know what happened to you that night; a fellow could not well forget it. It was I who locked your door that evening. I followed you when you went to your room, and did it. I meant to cheat you out of the prize. I meant to get it for myself, by fair means or f. ul. But, thinking of it now, I despise myself for such a

mean act. Will you-"Yes, I will; of course I will," interrupted Harry; "only don't say any more. There is no sense in going down into such depths of dust and ashes. I shall not think any more about it, and don't you. I am glad you have owned it up, because it was the right thing for you to do; but, to tell the truth, it is no great news to me. I was quite certain it was you all the time; for that night I picked up a glove of yours when I was going back from dormitory to the church. You wore both gloves when I left you in the church porch, and only one when I saw you afterward. I had my own thoughts about it, but I never said anything about them.

and now it is fair and square. Give me your The boys grasped hands, and they stood silent a moment, then Grove said with an effort, "Harry, I believe this sickness has been the best thing that ever happened me. Nothing but this struggle for life that we have been through together could have taught me bow mean and contemptible my life has been. You anyone, or to send anyone else, he went himself saved my life, Harry, and my life is yours.

As long as I live I will serve you at need and "I'll be glad of your love always, Grove, you know; and as for service, I'd ask anything of you I wanted and you could render." Harry paused a moment here, then went on. "And take it, we are coming at the grand secret of all right living, when we can hold our lives as not our own, as redeemed, or held in trust for

the good of man and the glory of God." The stars looked down upon the two boys as they stood with clasped hands. The red embers of the fire smoldered and died and left no trace. But the coals of fire that had fallen on the head of Grosvenor Vorse burned down into his heart. They burned up his unworthy aims, his low and selfish desires, and kindled upon the dead ashes a holy fire of friendship

and self-devotion. Capture of Washington by the British in 1814.

the "redcoats:" tive to note the hilarious comments of the ged face for life. It was a terrible thing to face states that the Secretary of State, James Monhave had a good airing, anyway."

"I should think they had. They are aired one was to go near the room, while Stearnes find it a very congenial one. Not content with fulness as a steward of God, and his extreme was very sick and must be kept quiet, and no destroying the public property here. Ross did As the day wore on, he became more vividly

starts, and lock and unlock themselves. Some weeks of suffering and dread. I used to go neighboring dwelling. There was great con- chase it." "Then," said the merchant, "the body followed you up here. Somebody is a each day to a hill in sight of the house, and troversy in England over these actions. The place is yours. I dare not keep it, for the Son nean sneak. And I am very certain that I wave my handkerchief to Harry, and I institu- London Times gloated brutally, and some of its of man had not where to lay His head." or three times a day; I remember, and a nurse publican bubble had burst." Said the same fully removed. had been hired to attend the patients. This sheet in 1814 : "That ill-organized association

"No thanks to him that he did not : he meant himself so muddled with beer, that he could Government founded on Democratic rebellion." cism on the conduct of the communities imme-Grove's father and mother came to Enderby diately surrounding the capital. Maryland and took lodgings there, and all such comfort | Virginia and the District ought to have put But Harry would hear to nothing of the sort. and sympathy as could be bought with money 20,000 men in the path of the British army. militia. There existed in the minds of those But love nor money nor tear nor skill, could Maryland and Virginia planters a foe more scatter the shadows of death that hung over dreaded than even the British invader. Con-

allowance of the "vidth and visdom" Mr. it covered his fair form with lothsomness, of Georgetown, D. C., told me in 1818, while contagious breath, crying, Give! give! deceburg in this city.) = * that the secret of There was Harrington Stearnes, his fine face | Give me your strength! give me your grace our disgraceful flight was that a story had been circulated through the District and adjacent But another stood there. O brave heart and | countries of the two States that on that day the true! Closer than a brother, nearer than fath- slaves were to arise and assert their liberty, easy drollery, and his hearty, good companion- comrade and fought disease against hope. had left behind, in the shape of a slave in his ship, and Grosvenor Vorse, with his pride and Night after night, while the recreant attendant own house or plantation, than he did anything There was of course, much fun over the hasty

> Cabinet. One New York paper paredied Scott's "Fly Munroe fly! run Armstrong run! Were the last words of Madison!

One of the squibs of the day parodies her final

requests to the President : " Sister Cutts, and Cutts and I, And Cutts' children three, Shall in the coach—and you shall ride On horseback after we."

SATURDAY NIGHT.

This was from a clever paredy of John Gil

The work day week has east it voke Of troublous toil and careful quest ; The lingering twilight's saffron cloak Trails o'er the dusky west, And curfew clocks with measured stroke Chime in the hoar of rest.

From fallow fields and woody dells The crickets chirp their pleasant lays, The kine come up, with tinkling bells, Through all the loomy ways; And buckets drip by busy wells, And ruddy ingles blaze. .

The smith his silent anvil leaves, His ringing ax the joiner drops, No more the weaver weaves; His loaded wain the peddler props Beneath the tavern eaves.

His whirling wheel the miller stops,

A happy hush, a tranquil balm As if the week day work and care Were lifted off, and left us calm, Pervade the quiet air-A sense as of a silent psalm.

A feeling as of prayer. For now the night, with soft delay, Seems brooding like a tender dove. While the last hours of Saturday Shut in the hours of love, And the sweet Sabbath spans the way To holier homes above.

God help us all, since here below Few Saturdays are ours at best, And out of pain and earthly woe, Few days of Sabbath rest; God grant us that we yet may know The Sabbath of the blest.

SABBATH READING.

In Heaven is Rest. Beyond the cares, the toil, the strife, Beyond the fleeting joys of life, In Heaven is rest. Beyond our fears, a galling chain, Our earthly hopes, so false and vain ;

Beyond what now we would conceal

From friends and foes, the wrongs we feel, In Heaven is rest. The angel band, the happy throng, Around the throne, with harp and song, Are there at rest. There wearied ones, the conflict o'er. A rest enjoy unknown before: And there shall we, our sorrows done.

> Forever rest. "All This for Me."

Our battle fought, our victory won.

A gentleman, a merchant of large fortune, had built for himself a beautiful and costly residence. The grounds were extensive and tastefully laid out, and adorned with arbors and speaks against his own conscience; and, therestatuary. The building was furnished throughout in a style corresponding with its own elegance, and the fortunate proprietor was duly reason .- Jeremy Taylor. settled in it with his happy and much envied

It was not long before he was visited by an old friend, recently from California, who had there acquired great wealth, and had returned to the more Eastern States to enjoy it. He was shown through the elegant establishment and beautiful grounds, and was so much pleased with the whole, that he immediately proposed to purchase the entire property, offering a lib-

"No," said the merchant, "nothing would induce me to sell it. I have expended upon its plan much thought, and given to its execution far as possible, to the convenience and comfort architect), "Why," answered the comedian, jecting any which show maiformation of the of my family; and here I expect to spend with them the remainder of my days." His friend retired, convinced that it was useless to urge

That evening, as the merchant, surrounded by his family, sat in his sumptuous apartment, response of the editor. engaged in family worship, he read the chapter containing that touching declaration of our dear Redeemer respecting His own extreme poverty. The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of man hath not where to lay His head."

As he read, his attention was arrested as never before, by the latter clause, "the Son of new minister?" (himself.) Beadle-"O, they man hath not where to by his head." He paused, and gazed around upon the splendid walls and furniture, and his heart smote him. yet the Son of man hath not where to lay His | them under foot. head." He was greatly troubled. He felt sorely rebuked by his own selfish prodigality. He saw, as never before, that in his case the servant was indeed not as the master; that he be so. The knowledge and consideration of it onions and market the crop before it is ripe. A Washington correspondent thus speaks of had utterly failed to imitate his blessed Lord is the fruition of it. - Coleridge. one; but then I have been well acquainted "If it is that, then I have probably taken the capture of the National Capital in 1814 by in the dental of self, but on the contrary in all been here, you say, two hours; have stood over to glance back at the events which followed the mind would permit, he closed the evening ser- show their powers of painting -Ruskin.

Here again, as he looked around upon the English press, or rather a portion of it, at the | luxurious couches and various arrangements for | deceives the eye, and brings the distant objects | "Then you are just as thoroughly exposed wanton destruction made by Ross, and the comfort, the thought occurred to him, "All ed trick, when I was up there this evening, and days. You must see no other students. Re- Our records do not recount the events of that where to lay. His head." He passed a sleepless I had to string the badelothes together and take main in this room. In a few hours his symp- period. Winder (a name of infamous notoriety night, this one idea constant revolving in his

> 9,000 inhabitants, in the midst of whom was, sive food, his heart again smote him, and he to their imagination, at least, an enemy more mentally exclaimed, "All this for me, and yet the near probabilities of loathsome disease and death.
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> states that the death states that the states the states that the states the s The afternoon and evening wore slowly away. king an irretrievable blunder, and bringing had not where to lay His head." He went to The doctor made two short visits, and his fears about defeat. We were beaten, and badly too, his office, but found himself incapable of atwere confirmed. The school authorities were at Bladensburg, and the British General, Ross, tending to business, this one thought being ever

find it a very congenial one. Not content with fulness as a steward of God, and his extreme one) it will be found flourishing as a banyanopen window; a cracked panel and the marks of desperate kicking were on the door. We sent with him.

die close carriage, and taken to a described house, two miles from town, and Harry Stearns was for it will say aye." He decided that the question of the door. We sent with him. grove, (perhaps, alas, as a hemlock forest) after a thousand years .- Carlyle. tion was unanimously carried, and himself ing that love of the world which already had

know who that somebody is. If you will give ted a one sided correspondence with him, send- utterances recall the later famous fling at us. The property was soon transferred a comfortme leave. I will go straight to his room now, ing letters daily by the doctor, but never get- when the signal gun at Sumter made the Times able but far more humble residence secured. accuse him of it, and scare him into owning ting any answer. The doctor went there two and its patrons delightedly yell that the "Re- into which the merchant and his family cheer-

The large sum received for the splendid man-"You don't know anything for certain," said man had had the small-pox, and was not afraid (the United States) is on the eve of dissolution. sion was cheerfully given to that Redeemer Harry; "and if you did, where's the fun in of it, which was his only qualification for a and the world is speedily to be relieved of "who had not where to lav His head." now nurse. He was ignorant and stupid and kept the mischievous example of the existence of a ten thousand times more precious from a new and wonderful manifestation of His love, filling to cheat you out of that prize, and I am loud not tell the time of day or the doses of medi | There was a good deal of severely just critic his soul with a peace and joy before unknown. -Am. Messenger.

The Lord's Prayer.

When the elder Booth was residing in Baltimore, a pious, urbane old gentleman of that city, hearing of his wonderful power of elocu-

a pathos and fervid solemnity which thrilled all | blow for blow that the 'mule receives a good hearts. He finished; the silence continued; education in the line of kicking rather than in not a voice was heard nor muscle moved in his forbearance. If we are persistently patient The President's wife staid until the last. rapt audience, until from a remote corner of with him, and treat him with kindness, he will the room, a subdued sob was heard, and the lose his fears, and his disposition to kick. If required to give such bonds with such security as the Bureau old gentleman (the host) stepping forward with | you want a good tempered, mule team, you | may require. streaming eyes and tottering frame, seized must keep your own temper. You must join Booth by the hand. 'Sir,' said he, in broken accents, 'you have afforded me a pleasure for ship with brutes. Yelling, scolding, cursing, they shall fill all vacancies in said Bureau. They shall fill all vacancies in said Bureau. They shall fill be power to grant charters to the vacancies. which my whole future life will feel grateful.

I am an old man, and every day, from boyhood evitably. A well broken mule team is a great with the President they shall advise and superintend the orto the present time I have repeated the Lord's Prayer,; but I never heard it before, never.

You are right, replied Booth, to read that Prayer as it should be read caused me the ever tried. As we are only to lose his carcass Prayer as it should be read caused me the ever tried. As we are only to lose his carcass severest study and labor for thirty years, and I at the end of thirty years, it may happen in the the rights of the workingmen of the various organizations am far from satisfied with my rendering of that progress of the world, that by that time mule wonderful production. Hardly one person in meat will be in fashion, and the butcher will in ten thousand comprehends how much beauty | give as much for him as for an ox. Let us try | tenderness and grandeur can be condensed in the mule team, and wait doubtfully for the a space so simple. That prayer itself suffici- beef. ently illustrates the truth of the Bible, and stamps upon it the seal of divinity."

> THE ALL-SEEING EYE .- One day the astrono mer Mitchell was engaged in making some observations on the sun, and as it descended toward the horrizon, just as it was setting, there came into the range of the great telescope the top of a hill about seven miles away. On the top of that hill was a large number of apple trees, and in one of them were two boys stealing apples. One was getting the apples, and the other was watching to make certain that nobody saw them, feeling that they were undiscovered. But there sat Professor Mitchell. seven miles away, with the great eye of his telescope directed fully upon them, seeing every movement they made as plainly as if he has been under the tree with them. So it is often with men. Because they do not see the eye which watches with a sleepless vigilance, they think they are not seen. But the great open eye of God is upon them, and not an action can be concealed. There is not a deed, there is not a word, there is not a thought which is not known to God .- Rural New Yorker.

> God seems to have proposed His material universe as a starding, perpetual study to His intelligent creatures; where, ever learning, they can yet never learn all; and if that material universe shall last till man shall have discovered all that is unknown, but which, by the progressive improvement of his faculties, he is capable of knowing, it will remain through a duration beyond human measurement and beyond human comprehension.—Daniel Webster.

are calamities, bereavements, desolations, which | and burying a portion of its length. The exfor the moment sunder you from earth almost | treme end of the layered shoot should be tied the same as if you were absent from the body. | to a stake in an erect position. But if there are shadows of death, the believer's dissolution is but the shadow of dying .- Dr. J. serve should change the water daily in which Hamilton.

without God. Nothing is a surer token of exwine, will often survive flowers that have begun honest, patient toil.

It should be the aim of every man to become a capitalist; the reality of eternal promises. No man is so

He that speaks against his own reason, fore, it is certain, no man serves God with a good conscience who serves him against his

Thy God bath said 'tis good for thee To walk by faith and not by sight; Take it on trust a little while, Soon shalt thou read the mystery right In the bright-sunshine of his smile.

TRUTHS AND TRIFLES.

A PROPHECY.—Charles Mathews, the elder "he is going to draw houses, like his father."

"I am the Great American Traveller," said Daniel Pratt, the great American bore, as he entered, uninvited, a certain newspaper office. "Well, travel!" was the sententious and only

A Scotch minister in a strange parish, wishing to know what his people thought of his preaching, questioned the beadle: "What do they say of Mr. M --- ?" (his predecessor.) "O," said the beadle, "they say he is not sound." Minister-" What do they say of the ground say he's all sound !"

The ambitious man treats his friends like the rounds of a ladder, first seizing them by the "All this for me," he said to himself, "and hand to mount upward, and then trampling can be done without injury to the vines. Re-It is one main point of happiness that he

The clearness of the air on mountain-tops may follow.

ent of an author, the easier it seems to reach. This is the highest miracle of genius, that root. things which are not should be as though they were, that the imaginations of one mind should become the personal recollections of another. -Lord Macaulay.

A foolish old bachelor says : "Young men, keep clear of calico if you want to do anything bear cutting, and fruit all the better for having the New Era, a weekly journal put lished in the city of great Calico is a handful institution. A raise week shoots cut out the course week shoots cut out the category washington, as the organ of the Colored Workingmen of the He walked forth into his garden. There the rare exotics, the beautiful statuary, the arbored of sweet lips, a pink waist, and the pressure done, lay down some brush to keep the fruit as to the condition of the trades in each State, rates of wages, of a delicate hand will do as much to unhinge from the ground. The "worm," as the large

> like winged shuttles, dart to and fro before us, and by their incessant movements weave a web. which we ourselves in a greater or less degree, have spun and put upon the loom .- othe. Cast forth thy act, thy word, into the everliving, ever-working universe; it is a seedgrain that cannot die; unnoticed to-day, (says

If a man sleeps under my preaching, says Mr. Beecher, I do not send a boy to wake him about and talking. This effectual punishment prevailed; but the usual precautions were taken to prevent contagion, and no other cases aptored in the destruction wrecked on the unoffending to prevent contagion, and no other cases aptored in the destruction wrecked on the unoffending to prevent contagion, and no other cases aptored in the destruction wrecked on the unoffending to prevent contagion, and no other cases aptored in the destruction wrecked on the unoffending to prevent contagion, and no other cases aptored in the destruction wrecked on the unoffending to prevent contagion, and no other cases aptored in the destruction wrecked on the unoffending to prevent contagion, and no other cases aptored in the destruction wrecked on the unoffending to prevent contagion, and no other cases aptored in the destruction wrecked on the unoffending to prevent contagion, and no other cases aptored in the destruction wrecked on the unoffending to prevent contagion, and no other cases aptored in the destruction wrecked on the unoffending to prevent contagion, and no other cases aptored in the destruction wrecked on the unoffending to prevent contagion, and no other cases aptored in the destruction wrecked on the unoffending to prevent contagion, and no other cases aptored in the destruction wrecked on the unoffending to prevent contagion, and no other cases aptored in the destruction wrecked on the unoffending to prevent contagion, and no other cases aptored in the destruction wrecked on the unoffending to prevent contagion, and no other cases aptored in the destruction where the previous evening to prevent contagion.



THE FARM AND THE HOUSEHOLD.

Mules on the Farm.

cotton plantations of the far South, while the favorite team on the Northern farm has always been the ox; partly because his carcass is so valuable when cut into steaks, and partly from shall consist of a President, Vice President, Recording and the rough character of the soil, which makes a tion, one day invited him to dinner, although slow team exceedingly desirable. The nule is always deprecating the stage and all theatrical much stronger than the horse, but not so fast of Labor.

SEC. 3. There shall be one Vice President for each State, as to endanger plows or stony soils, or carts on | Territory, and the District of Columbia, to be chosen by the the table, and on returning to the drawing room rough roads. They are more easily kept than State Labor Unions where they exist. Where there are no one of them asked Booth, as a special favor to either horses or oxen; and will consume almost them all, to repeat the Lord's Prayer. He any rough fodder with relish. A serious draw Labor Union. If neither elect a Vice President, then the signified his willingness to gratify them and all back to the ox team is, that it demands pasture eyes were fixed upon him. He slowly and reverently arose from his chair, trembling with fodder. If kept up continually and fed with Washington, D.C. the burden of two great conceptions. He had dry hay and meal, oxen will loose appetite after to realize the character, attributes and presence of the Almighty Being he was to address. He kept up as steadily as the horse, without any was to transform himself into a poor, sinning, loss of flesh or strength. This is a great adstumbling, benighted, needy supplicant, offer-ing homage, asking bread, pardon, light and toams. It rather agrees with mules to have a ing homage, asking bread, pardon, light and teams. It rather agrees with mules to have a guidance. Says one of the company who was daily task, and to be kept straight at it. A present, "It was wonderful to watch the play week's idleness seems to demoralize them, and of emotions that convulsed his countenance. they have to learn their lesson over again. He became deathly pale and his eyes, turned They are not as liable to disease as either the tremblingly upwards, were wet with tears. As horse, or ox, and are much longer lived. A yet he had not spoken. The silence could be well-used mule team will last thirty years; and felt; it had become absolutely painful, until that is about long enough. But it will be said at last the spell was broken as if by an electric shock, as his rich toned voice sylabled torth, "Our Father, which art in Heaven," etc., with mode of defence. It is so natural to return sistant Secretary shall perform the duties of his office.

How to Measure Corn in the Crib.

After leveling the corn, multiply the length and breadth of the house together, and the product by the depth which will give the cubic feet of the bulk of corn, then divide the last product by 12, and the quotient will be the number of barrels of shelled corn in the crib. If there be a remainder after the division, it dent, Post Office Box 191, Washington, D. C. will be so many twelfths of a barrel of shelled corn over.

Example :- 12 feet long. Il feet broad, 132 6 feet deep, 12)792

> 66 bbls of shelled corn 5 bushels in a barrel,

330 bushels shelled corn.

If farmers will cut the above measurement out and preserve it, they will not only find it convenient for reference, but will be able to ascertain the number of bushels of corn in their be called by the President, upon the request of the Bureau of wagon-bed without trusting to the calculations | Labor.

Grape vines: Keep young growth well tied up, and rub out any superflous shoot that may start. If mildew makes its appearance, use sulphur freely. Bellows for applying it may be had at the implement stores. Young vines should not be allowed to overbear; a bunch to the shoot is all that a vine should bear at its first fruiting. Beetles and caterpillars will need hand-picking. Layers may be made of the pre-There are many shadows of death. There sent season's growth, by bending a shoot down

Those who have favorite cut flowers to prethey are set, and cut a thin slice off the stalks Nothing betrays so much weakness of under- at every change. Water containing a small standing as not to perceive the misery of man quantity of camphor, dissolved in spirits of

truly a coward as he that acts the brave against mends the following simple, and, as he says, effectual plan of scaring birds from grain or WITH the wind of tribulation God separates fruit. "Suspend a piece of looking-glass by a in the floor of the soul, the Chaff from the Corn. string, so that it may swing in every direction, which gives the appearance of something com-

neighborhood of the scare-crow. Currants and Gooseberries: If the useless

Blackberries: The new growth, which is to bear the fruit next year, is to be kept in proper shape by pinching. The canes should not be allowed to grow more than 5 feet high, and the side shoots, which they will throw out, are to be pinched when a foot or 18 inches long.

Beans: The Limas, when they have reached the tops of the poles, may be pinched. Bush sorts may still be planted.

Cabbages and Cauliflowers: Transplant the being asked what he was going to do with his late sorts from the seed bed. It is well to assort much careful attention, in order to adapt it, as son (the young man's profession was to be an the plants and use only the most vigorous, reroot. Slugs are often very troublesome, and may be caught by laying cabbage leaves on the ground; they will hide under the leaves, and may be destroyed. Ducks will destroy them. the importance of organization, appoint a committee of one from each branch of trade or labor represented, to prepare a plan for organization. When they have reported a plan,

> Carrots are to be kept clear of weeds until the tops prevent working between the rows. Egg-Piants need all possible urging. Hoe

Lettuce: The India is the best for hot with five hundred men of several branches. Mix-d organic weather, and this will do better if shaded a part | zations have always proven disasterous to the labor reform movement, except in delegated bodies. The above organi-

move all fruit that is not likely to ripen. Onions need to be kept free from weeds. that is happy doth know and judge himself to Those who live near cities usually bunch their

Melons: Cultivate the ground as long as it

Potatoes: Only the early sorts find a place In old times men used their powers of paintin the garden, and these are usually dug while to take a given amount of stock, and pay that in weekly or
weekly or monthly installments until they have enough to commence his expenditures was chiefly intent upon his own ing to show the objects of faith; in later times the tops are yet green. We open a trench and selfish gratification As well as his state of they used the objects of faith that they might bury the tops, which decompose rapidly, and abor, they will form a capital and business that will give make an excellent manure for whatever crop them an independent living. In organizations of this kind no restrictions should be placed upon parties investing, be-

Sweet Potatoes, whether on ridges or in hills near; and, in like manner, the clearer the tal- should be kept clean until the vines cover the ground. The vines should not be allowed to Squashes: Keep the ground clean until the

vines take possession of it, and then allow them to root at the joints. Look out for insects. Tomatoes: If training is followed, keep the plants tied up to the stake or trellis. They will

Weeds are easily kept down if taken early enough. In many soils a sharp rake is the best implement to destroy them with. For more stubborn ones, the hoe-fork is preferable to the common hoe.

by a butcher of the 13th century, as a punishment for his wife. Finding nothing to stop her loquacity he puts a pair of stays upon her to take her breath and so prevent her from going "Now, I want to know who locked that door!" cried Max. "It's clear nonsense about it locking itself. Iron bolts don't take nervous it locking itself. Iron bolts don't take nervous and itself. Iron bolts don't take nervous and itself. Iron bolts don't take nervous and said to locking itself. Iron bolts don't take nervous again, I honor them!

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CONSTITUTION

NATIONAL LABOR UNION

ARTICLE I. Section 1. This organization shall be known as the Na-

tional Labor Union, and its jurisdiction shall be confined a the United States. ARTICLE II. Sec. 1. The National Labor Union shall be composed of

such organizations as may now or hereafter exist, having for their object the amelioration and advancement of the condition of those who labor for a living. SEC 2. Each organization shall be entitled to one represen-tative, and each State Labor Union to three for the State at

Mules are almost universal on the sugar and claim to represent. Sec. 1. The officers of the National Labor Union shall be

Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, and an Executive Committee SEC 2. The above-named officers shall constitute a Bureau

State Labor Unions, by the State Labor Conventions at their National Lapor Union shall have power to appoint at their

Sec. I. The President shall preside at all meetings of the National Labor Union and the "Bur-au of Labor," and pre-serve order and enforce the laws. He shall sign all orders for money drawn on the Treasurer by the Secretary, and be the custodian of the seal, which shall be affixed to all docuand the interest of the var ous organizations in the severa

States demand. SEC.2. The Vice President shall, in the absence or disabili ties of the President, perform the duties of his office. ARTICLE V.

Sec. 1. The Recording Secretary shall keep a correct ac count of the proceedings of the National Labor Union and Bureau of Labor. He shall fill all blanks, and write all orders for money on the Treasurer. He shall keep a debit and credit account, and shall report the condition of the

Sec. 1. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys, pay all bills and orders that may be drawn on him, and properly attested. He shall keep a debit and credit account, and report at each meeting of the Bureau of Labor. He may be

that tered by the National Labor Unions in bringing to jus-tice those who may rob them of their wages, the bringing about such legislation in the several States as may be ne cessary for the interest and advancement of the condition

ARTICLE VIII. Sec. 1. Seven members, in any organization, shall be suffi-cient to apply for a charter, which shall be granted on the payment of five dollars.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of each organization to prepare an annual statement of the condition of said organization, with such other information as may be to the interest of onth before the meeting of the National Labor Union, that the reports may be printed for the use and benefit of the National Labor Union at its annual meetings.

ARTICLE IX. Sec. 1. Each local organization or representative shall pay tax of ten cents annually per member. The tax of an or-

eld on the second Monday of December in each year; and

ARTICLE XI.-ORDER OF BUSINESS. 1. Report of Committee on Credentials.

Roll of members. Reading of minutes. Report of Bureau of Labor.

9. Adjournment. ARTICLE XII.

SEC. 1. This Constitution shall only be altered or amended at the regular annual meetings of the National Labor Union by a two-third vote of all members present, Prospectus of the National Labor Union and

Bureau of Labor of the United States of Fellow Citizens and Workingmen of the United States: The question of the hour is, How can the workingman best improve his condition? This question is not only being agitated in the United States, but throughout the civilized world. The universal law of our existence is: "In the sweat of thy face thou shalt eat thy bread." We desire to impress you with this fact, that it is a Divine law, that we must la-

that is, every man should try and receive an exchange for his labor, which, by proper economy and investment, will, in the future, place him in the position of those on whom he is now dependent for a living. At least it should be your as-piration to become the owner of your own homestead and place that homestead beyond the reach of want and poverty. As workingmen we can only possess these blessings by being industrious with our brains and hands, temperate in our

of colored labor in the several States. Disorganized, poorly shoots are removed as they start, but little praning will be required in autumn.

Plackberries: The new growth, which is to We advise you, 1st, to immediately organize, because labor can only protect itself when organized; that is, by being or-

selves work when you are debarred by opposite combina-tions. You learn the wants of your fellow workmen and how to provide for them.

In a word, without organization, you stand in danger of being exterminated. You cannot expect to be profitably employed, and the trades will soon die out in the race. With organization you will find employment, you will force opposite combinations to recognize your claims to work without restriction because of our color, and open the way for your children to learn trades and move forward in the enjoyment of all the rights of American citizenship. How shall you organize? We answer call a general meeting of the workingmen in every city and town, and after discussing These plants are much benefitted by frequent then appoint your committee on constitution and permanent organization. When they report, proceed immediately to form yourselves into an association, send a copy of your constitution and list of officers to the Bureau of Labor, and get your charter. We would advise, where there is a sufficient number of any particular branch, that they organize separate associations. As each man desires to follow that business for which he has been educated. As a constitution

> zations referred to, are simple organizations for the protec ion of labor and wages.
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> We would call your attention to, and advise, 2nd that you form yourselves into co-operative Trades Unions. While these are the most beneficial associations of modern times, they require much judgment, and intellectual ability to make em a success. They seem to be a necessity at this time in order to furnish employment to colored men in many States in the Union. We could not furnish a general plan of organization. Each particular association must be governed by special rules. We can only advise you how to organize, when you inform the Bureau what you propose to organ-ize. We can but say the general principle is, for each mar

> an interest with you.
>
> 3. We should advise you to organize Building and Land Associations. These can easily be established in connection with your "Trades and Labor Unions," and will have a tendency to strengtien and perpetuate them. Experience has proved that all men can, by the agency of a weil

4. In order to effect a more thorough organization of the colored workingmen of the United States, and advise and enlighten them upon all questions affecting their interest, and battle with the prejudices manifested because of our pe culiar position, the National Labor Convention has adopted demand for labor, value of real estate, forms of organization, and to meet all questions, national and local, affecting

necessity demands, take a decided stand in advising you upon all questions that will be to your interest as a race, and to

As we shall have one or more agents, who shall travel to and through all the States to assist you in organizing all the departments of labor, we hope that every man will make himself an agent to take the paper, and see that his neighbor has one also, until it may be found in every house in the

tution of the Convention.

ISAAC MYERS, President.

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COLIN CRUSON, Treasurer. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE D. M. Simms,

large in the National Labor Union, provided that representative-derive their election direct from the organization they

ARTICLE VI.

Sec. 1. The Bureau of Labor shall meet at least once in

of the laboring classes, SEC. 2. They shall regulate the salary of the President, Sec. 2. They shall regulate the salary of the President, Secretary, and such other officers as may be necessary to accomplish the objects of the National Labor Union.

Sec. 3. They shall report annually to the National Labor Union the condition of the various organizations, also the general condition of colored labor in the United States, with such recommendations as they may think necessary.

Sec. 4. They shall, in connection with the President, act as agents for the securing of sugaryment to be securing of the securing the securing of agents for the securing of employment, to labor of all kinds, and its transfer from one State to another. taining to the Labor Union or Bureau of Labor, must be

ganization shall be paid on the presentation of the creden-tials of the delegate; and no delegate shall be allowed to take part in the deliberations of the Union until the tax is ARTICLE X. Sec. 1. The meeting of the National Labor Union shall be

shall commence its session at 12 M.

Report of standing and special committeef. Report of local organizations. Unfinished business. New business.

habits, and economical with our means.

It is the duty of our National Labor Union, and more par ing, and scares off the birds. Not even the most foolhardy of birds will remain in the sembled from nearly every State in the Umon, to advise with you upon the best and most speedy means to better your ondition in the United States.

We look with painful emotions upon the present condition

> ganized thoroughly, you have the command of capital. You receive better pay for your labor. You learn where and how to invest your labor to better advantage. You learn the value of the capital invested with your labor—how to respect that capital, and make that capital respect your labor. You learn how and where to create employment, to give your

frequently and give liquid manure. Place straw for the government of a carpenters' association will not or hay under the fruit, to keep it from the suitfor the government of a laborers' association, it is important that you organize each ranch separately. Eve men of any one branch organized, can accomplish more in the

a man as the measles and the doctor's bill to boot."

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LEWIS H. DOUGLASS, Secretary. CHARLES H. PETERS, Assistant Secretary John H. Butler.

cause of their ether relations. Let any man who will, take

lated building association, buy a house for what he would pay rent for one. We shall be pleased to advise you upon the most improved plans of organization.

As we shall have one or more agents, who shall travel in

Tradition insists that corsets were invented by a butcher of the 13th century, as a punishmer. All communications must be marked "official," and addressed to the President, Box 191, Washington, D. C. Our course is enward! Let every man put his shoulder to P. S.-Your attention is particularly invited to the Consti-tution of the National Labor Union, published in the pro-